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Dear Forest User:

The Cascade Ranger District of the Boise National Forest is initiating an analysis for the Upper South Fork Salmon River Resource Management Project, Boise National Forest, Cascade Ranger District, Valley County, Idaho. The project is located in the South Fork Salmon River (SFSR) Subbasin, approximately 30 miles northeast of Cascade, Idaho. It is composed of the upper SFSR drainage from Goat Creek (Boise and Payette National Forest boundaries) south to the headwaters. The legal locations for proposed activities are Township 19N, Range 8E; Township 18N, Range 8E; Township 17N, Range 7/8/9E; Township 16N, Range 7/8/9E; Township 15N, Range 7/8/9E; Township 14N, Range 7/8/9E; Boise Meridian.

The need for this project is to reduce impacts, sediment specifically, from the National Forest System infrastructure by: 1) modifying the National Forest road system to reflect a road system needed for current and future land management, public access, and recreational needs; 2) modifying the National Forest trail system to improve or provide new recreation opportunities to reduce user-created activities. The emphasis is to provide an infrastructure to support current and future use, address roads not required for future land management, provide motorized and non-motorized trail opportunities, and to identify an infrastructure compatible with meeting or moving toward riparian and aquatic desired condition in the watershed.

The proposed action includes five separate activities including; road designation, road decommissioning, fish passage restoration, motorized and non-motorized trail improvements, and educational/interpretive exhibits. All are designed to reduce watershed impacts, specifically erosion/sedimentation, within the project area.

Comments concerning the project should be postmarked or received by March 18, 2011. Comments should be addressed to the Cascade Ranger District, ATTN: Clayton Nalder, P.O. Box 696, Cascade, ID 83611 or sent electronically to [comments-intermtn-boise-cascade@fs.fed.us](mailto:comments-intermtn-boise-cascade@fs.fed.us). Electronic comments must be submitted in plain text or another format compatible with Microsoft Word. Comments may also be delivered to the above address during regular business hours of 8:00 am to 4:30 pm Monday-Friday. Comments can also be submitted by phone at 208-382-7400 or FAX to 208-382-7480. Comments received in response to this request will be available for public inspection and will be released in their entirety if requested pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act.

The Proposed Action can also be found on the Boise National Forest webpage at <http://www.fs.fed.us/r4/boise/>. For further information, contact Clayton Nalder, Project Leader, Cascade Ranger District, PO Box 696, Cascade, Idaho, 83611; or phone (208) 382-7420.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures (2)

